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8.	Karnataka	32309
9.	Kerala	40445
10.	M.P.	59088
11.	Maharashtra (including Goa)	112221
12.	N. E. (inclues Arunachal Pradiesh, Mainpur' Meghalaya' Mizoram, Nagalands c Tripura)	8679
13.	Orissa	9589
14.	Punjab (includes Chandigarh)	25458
15.	Rajasthan	36797
16.	Tamil Nadu (includes Pondichery)	34138
17.	U.P.	68932
18.	West Bengal (includes Sikkim)	50725
19.	U.T. Delhi	70169
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Theft of telephone cables in Calcutta and Jaipur

1524. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that telephone cables and equipments are being regularly stolen all over the country, particularly in Calcutta and Jaipur;

(b) what is the number of such cases detected during the last three years, year-wise in Calcutta and Jaipur; and

(c) whether Government have identified more theft prone areas and what steps Government are taking to avoid the recurrence of such thefts?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) Yes, Sir. Cable thefts are taking place in Calcutta almost regular but not in Jaipur.

(b) Year	Cases of Thef	
	Calcutta	Jaipu
1989-90	142	1
1990-91	133	1
1991-92 (Upto October 1991)	110	3

(c) Yes, Sir. The following pr cautionary steps are taken:

(i) The Department has regula ly lodged FIR with the police.

(ii) Patrolling of cable routes being carried out.

(iii) Cabinets are kept locked.

(iv) Manhole covers of ducts Calcutta are kept welded to pr vent unauthorised entries in t manholes.